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DEAL FAIRLY, EVEN WITH TRUSTS.

We print elsewhere a comm from Mr. William E. Dibrell, editor of the Southern Tobacconist, in reply to a recent article in The Times with reference to the average price of leaf tobacco before and since the American Tobacco | may be, to say that he too will dedge the Company entered the field, Like some tax man, others, Mr. Dibrell refers to The Times as the "champion of trusts" when we are simply the champion of truth.

not want a champion, and its officers people out of employment. In point of fact the company has largely increased the demand for cigarettes and incidentally for eigarette tonaccos. It employs in series combined before it became a corporation. It pays out more money for labor than did all similar Richmond concerns combined, before it entered the field. To it Hichmond owes its great elgarette factories, and incidentally the finest hotel in the State, to say nothing of its mugnificent suburban drives. The American

A word as to prices. In 1855, five years after the American Tobacco Company
was organized, depositions were taken in
the Western North Carolina District in
a certain suit in which this company
Very truly.

1. have your letter of the 24th ultimo,
with the inclosure, for which I am very
much obliged. I suppose General Shafter
was looking for a furfough on full pay.
Very truly.

T. B. REED. was organized. H. J. Bass, a leaf dealer. of Durham, testified that in his opinion cutters"-cigarette tobaccos-had been higher since 1850, while fillers and wrappers-tobaccos not used by the "trust"had been lower. T. J. Pinnix, another and M. P. Jordan, former president of ers and wrappers had declined.

sume space in quoting them all. In 1894, the year before these depositions were taken, the average price of all tobacces sold in Danville was 1672, and in 1895 it was either. The sentleman need tobacco; but times were prospectual enough for it to make millions and keep others in poverty and out of the trade. \$7.96, an abnormally low average, but according to these witnesses, characte toilies, and an honest man in politics who had to key in stock and pay market prices, and an honest man in politics who had to key in stock and pay market prices, and indirectly have from others. The baccos held their own. The "much-low- hates sham and mawky sentiment. He second year it was more independent, and er" tobaccos were those not used by the is a born ruler, but he rules with the rod | refused to buy from any one at a profit

Mr. Dibrell says that Allen & Ginter used to pay \$25, \$28 and \$35 for cutters which now sell for half that price, possibly. But Mr. Dibrell's friend, the middle mah, who got these fancy prices, bought his fancy tobacces from the farm. bought his fancy tobaccos from the farm- on, and at the close of the last session of er at \$18 or \$30. Isn't that so? We do not dony that the middle man has been have but k was the farmer who cast belief of many that by his biting the trust did not create this competition. the first stone at him, "Down with the speeches and his autocratic ways he has middle man, was the battle cry of the | made enough enemies in his own party Farmers' Alliance. Isn't that so? The to create a strong opposition to him in American Tobacco Company was not the the next Congress, if not indeed to defeat first nor the only coucern to abolish the him for the speakership. It has been middle man. His services have been dis- whispered around of late that Reed will whispered around of late that Reed will pensed with in every branch of trade where it was possible to do without him, and every business man buys his supplies from first hands wherever it can be done. All the hig merchants of Richmond purchase largely from the factories direct. Does Mr. Dibrell hame them for it? We have no sort of doubt that the middle man in the tobacco business would where the middle man in the tobacco business would while the pensed with the Reed will retire from politics. He is a very clever man and perhaps he has the shrewdness to see that the day of his triumphs is ended, and that the time for his disappearing has come. It is a wise man, to court, the annoyance of parties up to a point of submission by abandoment of the cause in action, etc.

He competition is the life of trade, what is monopoly? or that relatively as near to fit as possible? Is this the method of dispensing the greatest good to the greatest number, a problem of submission by abandoment of the cause in action, etc.

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We thought we had licked Spain in a most gented fashion until we read the criticism yesterday of Vice-Admiral Philip of tobacco fluctuated by virtue of the

have fared the same fate, had there never been any "Tobacco Trust." He was simply crowded out by the changed conditions. His occupation is gone, but the "trust" is not to blame for it.

Let us deal fairly with all subjects. Let us not conjure up all the mishaps and reverses of the tobacco business and charge them up, whether or not, to the existence of the "Tobacco Trust."

THE PERSONAL TAX.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal be Heves that the days of personal taxation are numbered. It says that with the exception of Holland every country in Europe has abandoned the tax on personal property, "as an impractical method of taxation," and that a good many States in this Union have followed the European example. As to Tennessee, it says that there is a shadow of a tax on personal property, but that the large exemption given each member of a family have destroyed the substance almost. It adds that in States where exemptions are small or non-existing the personal property tax is usually paid by farmers who have horses, mules and other personal property that cannot be hidden, while the men with money and securities manage to clude the vigliance of the tax

The New York Commercial-Advertise reproduces these remarks of our Tenunsigned communications will be re-jected always. That no close of tax mayors has insisted

> right in cluding taxation at every possible point. Such people will not hesitate to make a false assessment and will do so without any pangs of conscience. There are other tax-payers who are conscientious in making their assessments and who are disposed to assess themselves fairly, but who are in a measure deterred by the knowledge of the fact

The experience of Tennessee and New | Nature and reason tell us all The experience of Tennessee and New York in this matter of personal taxation is the experience of Virginia and every other State in the Union. We all know well leave that to the Architect, and trust His wisdom to direct well enough that there are thousands and millions of dollars' worth of personal taxation. We'll leave that to the Architect, and trust His wisdom to direct The taking of it down.

"Boston Transcript."

that their neighbors do not measure up

If we could have in this State what the in Virginia were taxed, we have no idea that the rate of taxation would exceed Skillet, Missouri. me on the dollar.

THE PASSING OF REED.

Some time ago General I. R. Sherwood, of Toledo, Ohio, sent to Speaker Reed a copy of the recent severe criticism made by General Shafter upon the alleged antagonism of Mr. Reed to the administration's policies, with the suggestion that, if true, the language called for a cour; martial. In reply Reed wrote:

This by way of expressing his opinion of the President's action in miligating the sentence of General Eagen, Mr. Reed one of the most dangerous gifts that naleaf dealer of Durham, testified to the fancs. Mr. Reed would have been a same effect. Captain John E. Hutchins, much more popular man to-day with the of the Danville Grays, a warehouse man, | members of both parties, had be not | the Danville Tobacco Association, testified | He has a keen sense of humor and with

American Tobaccos were those not used by the last and some files. But he tobaccos were those not used by the American Tobacco Company.

Mr. Dibrell says that Allen & Ginter as the Lorentz of Foliations. He is a good hater and he simply cannot resist the temptation to make a harsh speech, when occasion of make a harsh speech, when occasion of the first about a man whom he dislikes or indirect blessing, inasmuch as this openions.

Howard Colomb, of Her Majesty's navy. Some critics are so hard to please.

And now the Continental Tobacco Company, a part and parcel of the tobacco trust, will erect a large factory in Danville. We pity that trust-ridden city.

Senator Wolcott is wondering how some members of Congress manage to stay married to as many as three wives at a

The coal trust ought to be the warmest in the bunch.

If the West wants to cultivate friendly relations with the South it had better keep its blizzards at home.

Unprecedented. Mr. Pitt-There was great excitement in a French court the other day.
Mr. Penn-What was the cause of it?
Mr. Pitt-They had a witness on the stand who insisted on telling the truth.—
Pittsburg Commercial-Telegraph.

And Yet She Loves Him.

Wiggles-This writer says that in the course of time married people grow to resemble each other.

Mrs. Wiggles-Mercy! I hope that isn't so!-Somerville Journal.

Cilling Him Down.

Culling Him Bown.

Papa Henpeck was showing little Daisy the new book of animals.

"That is the lion, my dear," he said.

"The lion is the ruler of all the other beasts. They tremble whenever he opens his mouth. Not a beast dares face him."

"How about the lioness, pana;" cried little Daisy, who is a chip of the mother block.—Cleveland Phin Dealer.

An Expert.

She—How can you be so sure that you are in love with me and with no one else? Byen I wonder at times whether there is a possibility of absolute certainty in such matters.

He—You lack experience and the confidence it begets. I've been in love forty times and know every symptom.—Detroit Free Press.

My Old House.

(Written by a lady ninety-four years old). I hall once more my natal day.
Still in my tenement of clay,
With many favors blost.
Now He who placed the structure here
Can prop it up another year,
If He think best.

Long bath it stood, through snow and

And braved life's fearful hurricanes, While many a stronger fell.
The reason why we cannot see.
But what to us seems mystery
The Builder knows full well.

But now 'tls weather-worn and old: The Summer's heat and Winter's cold Pierce through the walls and roof. Tis like a garment so worn out. To mend there seems no whereabout, So gone is warp and woot.

is worth \$10,000 discovers that he is paying more taxes than his neighbor who is worth \$20,000, he is ready to kick and almost ready, however conscientious he may be, to say that he too will dodge the tax roat.

The tottering pillars are all weak:

The poor old rusty hinges creak:

The windows, too, are dim.

These slight discomforts we'll let pass, For looking darkly through a glass,

We catch a hopeful gleam.

Odd Names. following names of postoffic

he New York Sun, appear in the United tates Postal Guide: Mud, Twin Sieters, Texas.

Mule, Oregon.
Sodom, New Mexico.
Yellowjacket, Idaho.
Loyalsock, Option, Pennsylvania.

Wax, lowa. Pebble, Sawdust, Florida. Seven Guns, Quality, Kentucky. Virtue, Tennessee.

North Carolina.

Zero, Mississippi. Love, Colorado. Oats, South Carolina

When It Arose,

the shop-keeper, simply—Philadelphia North American.

Criticism, "His comedy lacks motive."
"Well, lack of motive goes to remove
is presumption of criminal Intent."— Detroit Journal.

A Vision. My love's an angel, for I see
Her only when I dream.
But to spend money in my sleep
A little strange does seem.
—Boston Courier.

THE TOBACCO TRUST.

An Argument That it Has Injured the Leaf Market Here.

Editor of The Times; Sir,-You are siways fair to your op-

conviction.

I desire to reply to your Tuesday's editorial. Producing figures of the Danville Tobacco Trade averages for twenty-six years past, is your text for argument, that the Tobacco Trust has benefitted the bright market, etc. For the first half of the twenty-six, or thirteen years, tobacco in Danville averaged \$12,50 per hundred pounds; for the faster half of the twenty-six years, the average was \$9 per hundred years.

\$8.65, no matter what you describe the year as being, "presidential" or "pan-nicky," or otherwise. The trust pros-

ed up there a large market for all grades nearly, causing the doubling up of the Mersey Warehouse docks' capacity to store and draw American tobacco with purposely, but followed up the trust trade in England as far as possible. Its effect, to say nothing of its purpose, its being right or wrong moral immeral or legal, against or for public policy, has been to kill competition, to monopolize business, to thraw afters out of em-ployment, to control machinery, to keep

If any man who smokes cigars will "keep tab" of the number of halfsmoked 10, 15 and 20 cent cigars he throws away in one day he will realize why the

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W. E. DIBRELLA
Richmond, Va., March 8, 1899.

CUMBERLAND CANDIDATES.

A Warm Contest Expected for County Officers Winter Hard on Farme's SUNNYSIDE, VA., March 7.—Special.— After a perfectly clear day yesterday we find the ground covered with snow again

pay the tax due and the 5 fine-which is all the grabber is after.

The spring election will be a warm one in this county. All of the present incumbents will have opposition. The clerk, treasurer, Commonwealth's attorney and one commissioner of the revunue are Republicans; sheriff and one commissioner are Democrats. The Democrats speak of putting a full ticket in the field, and the fight will be a lively one, as some of the old officers will be hard to beat.

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A POSTMASTER GOES WRONG.

Edward F. Bogert, of Wilkesbarre. Arrested for Robbing Letters.

WILKESBARRE, PA., March 9.

all of them opened. fore United States where he gave ball hi. \$4,000 f

AFTER CHICAGO BEEF.

The Court of Inquiry Visits. The Stock Yards of the Windy City.

CHICAGO, March 9.-The Court

CAMBON RETURNS.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The French Ambaysador, M. Cambon, called at the White Hause to-day to pay his respect to the President, after an extended via to Paris, covering the period in which its Spanish-American treaty of peace was concluded. The election of M. Loubet as President of France occurred a few days refore the amhaesador left Paris for Washington. He paid a farewell call of the new President, who after a high tribute to the United States, charged the ambaesador to convey a personal expression of good will to President McKinley.

AMPHITRITE IN DANGER. Lucky Discovery of a Leaking Conden

ser Pipe Prevents an Explosion. NORFOLK, VA., March 9.-The mon or Amphitrite in here from Buston an lute cure for sick headache, dys pepsia, sour stomach, malaria constipation, torpid liver, piles jaundice, bilious fever, bilious ness and kindred diseases.

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has been intending leaviving for Part Royal for the mast few days, but she has been detained by remains to her hollers has been much loss of the and property was not properly adjusted in some respects and repairs were necessary, while jaundice, bilious fever, bilious ness and kindred diseases.

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An Henry's Elopes, HOPKINSVIIL, KY, March 9-410-8 carab Norfleet Mason, the papalar sairces, cloped but hight to Clarkerine,

Quitet in Santiago.

A Big Descrepancy.

To Hang a Woman. MONTREAL, March 5.—At the request of the Catholic priest, it has been decaded to hang Sam Parsiow and Cordella Porties at St. Scholastique to-marrow lack to book, and with a heavy black cartain between them. They were concerted of murdering the woman's has

Czar's Peace Congress. THE HAGUE, March S.-The Peace

Conference, otherwise the congress of the representatives of the powers, called by the Cwar to discuss the possibility of taking steps toward a general disarmament, will meet here on May 18th.

Australian Hurricane